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Applicant(s): Y. NAKATANI, et al
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REMOTE-SITE STORAGE SYSTEM
Group:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

The following preliminary amendments and remarks are respectfully
submitted in connection with the above-identified application, as listed below and as
set forth on the following pages:

Substitute Specification and Marked Up Version of Original Specification;
Amendment of the Abstract;
Amendment of the Claims; and
Remarks are included following the amendments.